

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : LIN et al.
Application No. : Not Yet Assigned
Filed : December 6, 2001
Title : MICRO-MACHINED HOT-WIRE FLOW SENSOR FOR SPIROMETER
Docket No. : BHT-3134-60

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 18 and add new claim 70 as follows:

-18. (Amended) The flow sensor of claim 12 [or 13], wherein the model is desktop or portable type.

70. (New) The flow sensor of claim 13, wherein the model is desktop or portable type.--

REMARKS

Version With Markings To Show Changes Made

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached pages are captioned VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE.

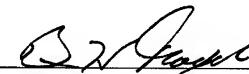
Summary

The foregoing amendments eliminate the multiple dependency of 18, thereby reducing the filing fee. An early action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 6, 2001

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 18 has been amended and new claim 70 has been added as follows:

18. (Amended) The flow sensor of claim 12 [or 13], wherein the model is desktop or portable type.

70. (New) The flow sensor of claim 13, wherein the model is desktop or portable type.